House Resolution No. 22

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to honor remarkable Show-Me State couples who have experienced the good fortune of success in marriage, a most delightful task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, the union of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hughey, residents of Frohna, Missouri, is characterized by their enduring affection and serves as a glorious illustration of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, Patrick and Bertha Hughey commemorated their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on July 20, 2003, at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Rita and Mark Diamond of Longtown; and

Whereas, as they proudly marked this splendid milestone in their life, Patrick and Bertha Hughey undoubtedly looked back with satisfaction upon all that has transpired since they pledged their eternal love to one another and began their long, joyful walk down life's path; and

Whereas, it was five wondrous decades ago that Patrick and his bride, Bertha, joined their hands, their hearts, and their lives together in a solemn nuptial ceremony officiated by Judge Walter Eggers and witnessed by Cleveland and Nellie Hughey on July 25, 1953, at the Perry County Courthouse in Perryville; and

Whereas, over the course of the past half century, Patrick and Bertha Hughey have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two children and their spouses, Sam and Rosie Hughey of Ste. Genevieve and Rita and Mark Diamond of Longtown; and five grandchildren, Laura Okenfuss and her husband Carl, Rebecca Hughey, Nathan Hughey, Ian Diamond, and Hayley Diamond; and

Whereas, Patrick and Bertha Hughey have distinguished themselves as a remarkable couple, whose fifty years of shared joy and contentment so beautifully illustrate the strength, grace, and splendor of the lasting marriage bond:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Patrick and Bertha Hughey upon the joyous occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary and in further wishing them continued happiness in the years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hughey.

Offered by _______
Representative Scott A. Lipke
District No. 157

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 22, adopted January 8, 2003.